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To Conference Attendees and Participants:

I am pleased to inform you that The Navajo Nation Division of General Services has collaborated with the Department of Information Technology (DIT) to hold the Navajo Nation IT Summit 2010. I also want to thank all the attendees in advance for joining us during this summit at the beautiful Buffalo Thunder Resort and Casino, nestled in the breathtaking Sangre de Cristo Mountains, on November $15^{th} \sim 18^{th}$, 2010, near Santa Fe, New Mexico.

The theme "Embracing Virtual Innovation" depicts how adaptable we are as Navajos. Technology innovation, applications, and how we utilize it will definitely help our government become more efficient. All our departments within this Division, have set their goals high to provide better services to our Navajo government and citizens, as well. Video conferencing with the use of the internet is now possible on our Nation. In the future, the need to utilize this type of cost saving technology is evident. Our Navajo Nation landscape encompasses over 27,000 square miles, and driving across the Navajo Nation for meetings is no longer cost efficient, but we are at a pinnacle where the technology solution is in our hands.

Today, technology is used in our government, schools, work, business, and at home. It is important that we set a path for our younger generation onto a technology platform, forged by our generation, so that they can become part of the global economy.

Let us convene at this technology summit and discuss solutions that will take us forward to make our work and lives better. Please feel free to express your ideas with us and participate in this summit.

Most importantly, travel safely to the summit and back to your homes.

Sincerely and with Great Expectations,

The Navajo Nation

Virgil Brown, Jr., Division Director

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